

SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA AREA

PROPOSAL F2003-20

Existing regulation: Southeast Alaska Area - Salmon

§____.27(i)(13)(xvi) In the Redoubt Lake watershed, you may fish for sockeye salmon only under the terms of a Federal subsistence permit. Open season is from June 1 to August 15. For the Redoubt Lake watershed, the possession limit per individual is 10 sockeye, and the possession limit per household is 10 sockeye salmon per household. Only spears, gaffs, dip net and rod and reel may be used. Steelhead incidentally speared or gaffed may be retained.

[For the 2002-2003 regulatory year only, the Redoubt Lake watershed is closed to sockeye salmon fishing except by Federally-qualified subsistence fishermen.]

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*§____.27(i)(13)(xvi) **Redoubt Bay and all freshwaters draining into and out of Redoubt Bay watershed are closed to sockeye salmon fishing by non-Federally qualified users south of a line between 56° 53' 987" N and 135° 19' 017" W and 56° 54' 332" N and 135° 19' 068" W in Redoubt Bay and all freshwaters draining into that area.** In the Redoubt Lake watershed, you may fish for sockeye salmon only under the terms of a Federal subsistence permit. Open season is from June 1 to August 15. For the Redoubt Lake watershed, the **possession daily harvest** limit per **individual household** is **±0 25** sockeye, and the **possession annual** limit per household is **±0 50** sockeye salmon per household. Only spears, gaffs, dip net and rod and reel may be used. Steelhead incidentally speared or gaffed may be retained.*

Reason for changing the regulation: Conflicts with non C&T users and conflicting state and federal regulations along with a reduced resource warrant a C&T priority.

Effect of change on fish or shellfish populations: Better conservation with one user group targeting these fish with an annual limit. Reduced effort on a limited stock and increased escapement.

Effect of change on subsistence users: Less conflict with other users and better understanding and application of the subsistence priority.

Additional Information:

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